Position :

The existing maintenance facilities are adequate for the normal level of traffic handled at the station. It would not be viable to create duplicate facilities simply to handle the traffic during any bundhs in Assam.

Demand No. 6

Introduction of a new train from New Coochbehar to Calcutta

At present, there is no proposal to introduce a new train between Calcutta and New Coochbehar.

Modification in VRS

940. SHRI NARAYAN ATHAWALAY : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to modify the Voluntary Retirement Scheme for public sector as reported in the 'Times of India' dated November 7, 1996;

(b) if so, the details of changes and the financial provision made for execution of the scheme; and

(c) the tentative time schedule for execution of the modified VRS and estimated number of workers proposed to be covered, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) Government are considering a proposal to modify the Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) so that it may become more attractive.

(b) and (c). Do not arise as this proposal has not been examined fully by the Government.

Composition of Committees

941. SHRI SANDIPAN THORAT : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Programme Advisory Committees attached to AIR/Doordarshan Kendras are due for reconstitution;

(b) if so, the progress made so far in this regard;

(c) the details of other Advisory Committees under the Ministry on which non-official/outstanding professional/prominent social activists mediamen are nominated;

(d) whether the Government have finalised composition of such committees for selection of films for Doordarshan; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) and (b). No, Sir. The term of the existing committees is upto April, 1997.

(c) This Ministry has no other Advisory Committee.

(d) and (e). Yes, Sir. The list of persons approved for appointment as non-official members in the selection committee for selection of films for Doordarshan is given in the *Statement* enclosed.

STATEMENT

List of Persons approved by the Government for appointment as non-official Members in the Selection Committee for feature films

1. Shri Shailendra Shankar	Former DG: Doordarshan, Associated with Films and Society movement.
2. Shri K.C. Sharma	Former DG: AIR, an eminent Author Media Critic.
3. Ms. Sundari Sridharani	Director, Triveni Kala Sangam.
4. Smt. Indu Jain	Poetess
5. Ms. Ranjana Gauhar	Dancer
6. Shri Kamal Bhasin	3-A, (18 Flats), Friends Colony, New Delhi-110065.
7. Ms. Usha Joshi	Arts and Culture
8. Miss Kumkum Chadha	Writer and Journalist
9. Shri Idris Dehlvi	Film Journalist, Editor 'Sushma'
10. Shri M.N. Roy Choudhury	Former Dy. Director General, AIR
11. Smt. Gayatri Roy	Social worker
12. Shri Jag Mohan	Journalist, author, art critic and filmologist.
13. Shri Raghunath Raina	Former Director, Film Festival and News Services Division of AIR.
14. Shri Mohd. Shamim	Special Correspondent, Times of India, also a Film Critic
15. Smt. Vijaya Mule	Eminent Educationalist, Film-maker and media person.
16. Shri Gautam Kaul	Leading Film Critic and closely associated with film society movement.